News Media Contacts

This contact list is a guide for members of the news media who need information and/or interviews related to City departments.



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Development Plans, CPC and BZA Cases, Building and Zoning Code Violations, Historic Preservation, Area Plans,

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Court case information, courtroom camera requests, court stats, specialty courts, interviews with Municipal judges and court officials



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Bike lanes, streets, sidewalks, snow removal, street lights & signs, traffic signals, parking



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